

# *Harrisonburg-Rockingham Local Human Rights Committee*

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**April 14, 2014**

**Members Present:** Page Shields, Cindy Ring, Virginia Luong, Gayl Brunk, William Quarles

**Others Present:** Chuck Collins (HR Advocate), Terri Gibbs (The Arc), Crystal Kwolek (C.J. Designs), John Humphreys (Fair Haven Residential Services), Kathy Nelson (HRCSB), Heather N. Corbin, Erika Stanley, and Sarah Iler (Pleasant View, Inc.), Natalie Rinaca (RMH), Joy Wood (CC & Associates), Pat Gizzel, Sarah Albrecht

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm.

Those in attendance made introductions.

### **MINUTES**

A motion to approve the minutes from the January 2014 meeting as mailed was made by Cindy Ring, seconded by Virginia Luong and unanimously approved by the Committee.

### **RECOGNITION**

Page Shields was presented a Certificate of Recognition and plant from Chuck Collins on behalf of the Affiliates and the Office of Human Resources for Page Shields' six years of service on the Local Human Rights Committee.

### **COLLECTION OF LHRC RE-APPLICATIONS**

Chuck Collins received re-applications from the remaining 4 HR LHRC committee members to be submitted to the SHRC for consideration for their second term of service with the HR LHRC

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chuck Collins spoke to the state wide MH System changes that in process in response to the publicly known case involving Senator Creigh Deeds' son.

### **ANNUAL PROGRAM REPORTS**

**Fair Haven Residential Services (FHRS):** 2013 Annual Report was presented by John Humphreys. FHRS provides group home placements for congregate residential support services to adult individuals with intellectual and other disabilities. FHRS is licensed for 8 individuals and is currently serving 7 individuals. No program changes were reported. Human Rights training is conducted during orientation and annually to all staff. One informal Human Rights complaint occurred but was determined to be unfounded. Eight medication errors were reported with no neglect findings by the Human Rights Advocate. Licensing issued two Corrective Action Plans as a result of the reported Medication Errors

### **Review of Quarterly Reports**

There were several questions from the Committee Members regarding how to interpret the information on the new CHRIS reports. Gayl Brunk again requested that all Affiliates make every effort to get their reports to the

HR LHRC Liaison prior to the meeting date so the committee members have ample time to review the reports prior to the meeting.

### **ADVOCATE REPORT**

Chuck Collins reported there has been an increase of admissions to WSH from a TDO, a demonstration of the recent changes in the state-wide Emergency Services system. Chuck Collins reports the new WSH has been an improvement from the old WSH that both staff and patients appreciate despite a few minor problems with plumbing and patient badges. Chuck also reported placements from the Training Centers continue, individuals still awaiting discharge placements are those with the most challenging medical needs. Chuck Reported the START Program is now the Reach Program and the focus of the program is to offer consultation and respite care.

### **OTHER BUSINESS /AFFILIATE COMMENTS.**

None reported.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for **Monday, July 21, 2014 at 2:00 pm**. The meeting will be held in the Lucy F. Simms Board Conference Room. The Lucy F. Simms Building is located at 620 Simms Avenue Harrisonburg, VA 22802

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Page Shields moved the committee go into Executive session under section 2.23711 (A), Subparagraph of the Virginia Code. Cindy Ring seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The Committee met in Executive Session for the purpose of a personnel action.

Upon returning to open session, Page Shields moved that the Committee certify that to the best of each member's knowledge, (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the executive meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (2) only such public business matter as were identified in the motion convening the executive meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board, and (3) the proposed treatment plan was approved by the committee. The above certifications were confirmed by a roll call of all members present.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Ring  
HRLHRC Secretary

Kathy Nelson  
HRCSB Liaison/Recording Secretary